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SUBSTRATES USING ADHESIVE  
DEVICES CONTAINING SILICONE  
GELS**


Docket No: VN24

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Category	Identity of document and relevant passage	Relevant to claims
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